

Both Houses elect the State Treasurer by a joint ballot. The General Assembly also elects the Governor if the popular election has resulted in a tie or the winning candidate is ineligible; and, should the office become vacant while the General Assembly is in session, then it shall elect a successor; otherwise, the President of the Senate succeeds to the office until the next regular session.

Appropriations	1965	1966
General Funds	\$1,429,631	\$1,335,942

DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE

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The Department of Legislative Reference was originally created by Chapter 565, Acts of 1906, to serve the City of Baltimore; the scope of the Department was enlarged to serve the State as well by Chapter 474, Acts of 1916. By Chapter 453, Acts of 1965, the Department was transferred to the Legislative Department. The Department collects, compiles, and indexes information on all questions of proposed legislation. It investigates and reports on the laws of Maryland and other states at the request of the Governor, any committee or member of the General Assembly, or any State agency. At the request of a member of the General Assembly, the Department prepares or aids in the drafting of any law or resolution. During sessions of the General Assembly, the Department maintains offices in the State House at Annapolis. Each department of the State government must transmit to the Department of Legislative Reference at least two copies of each of its reports, which are used for exchange and reference purposes. The Department keeps a complete index and a complete file on all bills introduced in the General Assembly from 1908 to the present. It also keeps copies of the codes and laws of other states, and it maintains a library of books, pamphlets, reports, periodicals, and clippings on matters of current public and political interest. The Department also has supervision of the Archives of Baltimore (Code 1957, Art. 41, secs. 140-44).

Appropriations	1965	1966
General Funds	\$54,069	\$60,199
Supplemental Funds	5,120
Totals.....	\$59,189	\$60,199
Staff: 4.		

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The Fiscal Research Bureau was established within the Department of Legislative Reference by Chapter 605, Acts of 1947. By Chapter 453, Acts of 1965, the Fiscal Research Bureau became a part of the Legislative Department. The Bureau acts as a staff agency of the Governor, the General Assembly, and the Legislative Council in tax and fiscal matters; makes any investigations of State or local tax